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In re Application of: Sauerberg et al.

Confirmation No.: 2809

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Group Art Unit: 1621

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Examiner: Keys, Rosalynd Ann

For: Novel Compounds, Their Preparation and Use

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the non-final Office Action on the merits mailed September 29, 2006, having a shortened period for reply of one (1) month, due to expire October 29, 2006, be extended for a period of two (2) months from October 29, 2006, to December 29, 2006, to permit timely filing of the Response enclosed herewith.

In the event that an additional extension of time is required, Applicants hereby petition for such extension of time. The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the required fee, if applicable, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 20, 2006

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